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SUBJECT: KOREAN QUESTION IN THE UN

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1. IN ACCORD WITH REFTEL, DCM AND POLOFF SEPTEMBER 30 RAISED SUBJECT WITH G. TUNZE, DIRECTOR OF ASIA AND AUSTRALASIA DIVISION OF FOREIGN MINISTRY, AND S. S. MBONDE, CHIEF OF ASIAN MAINLAND SECTION. DCM STRESSED THAT US SPONSORED RESOLUTION REFLECTS NEW APPROACH TO KOREAN PROBLEM IN RESPONSE TO VIEWS EXPRESSED BY 29TH UNGA. USG HOPES THAT TANGOV WILL REEXAMINE ITS LONGSTANDING POSITIONS IN LIGHT OF OUR INNOVATIVE PROPOSAL.

2. TUNZE REITERATED TANGOV VIEW THAT PRESENCE OF US TROOPS IN SOUTH KOREA IS OBSTACLE TO PROGRESS TOWARDS REUNIFICATION. WERE US TROOPS TO LEAVE, SOUTH KOREA WOULD HAVE TO BE MORE REASONABLE. TUNZE APPEARED WHOLLY UNINFORMED ABOUT MILITARY SITUATION ON KOREAN PENINSULA. IN REGARD TO ATTITUDE TOWARD NEGOTIATION AND UNIFICATION, TUNZE VOLUNTEERED THAT TANZANIAN EMBASSY AT PEKING, WHICH ALSO ACCREDITED TO PYONGYANG, REPORTED POSITIVE OUTLOOK IN NORTH KOREA. IN CONTRAST, CONFIDENTIAL

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TANZANIAN EMBASSY TOKYO, WHICH REPORTED (WITHOUT ACCREDITATION)

ON ROK, EMPHASIZED INCREASING DISSENSION AGAINST SEOUL GOVERNMENT AND ITS INFLEXIBLE STANCE VIS-A-VIS PYONGYANG.

3. TUNZE CONCLUDED BY EXPRESSING APPRECIATION AT BEING BRIEFED ON US POSITION AND CONCERNS IN SUCH DETAIL. HE STRONGLY IMPLIED THAT FONOFF HAD NOT RECEIVED ANY INFORMATION ON US RESOLUTION FROM TANUN DELEGATION, WHICH HE DESCRIBED AS HAVING VERY BROAD INSTRUCTIONS

ON THIS MATTER. HE SAID THAT WHILE MINISTERS WERE NOT AVAILABLE (FOREIGN MINISTER IS OUT ON ELECTION TRAIL AND JUNIOR MINISTER SEPETU IS AT UNGA) HE WOULD BRIEF PRINCIPAL SECRETARY NYAKYI ON OUR DEMARCHE. HE STATED THAT USG RESOLUTION WAS WORTHY OF CONSIDERATION, AND APPEARED PARTICULARLY IMPRESSED BY OUR OBJECTION TO EXCLUSION OF SOUTH KOREA FROM KOREAN CONFERENCE (PARA 6, REFTEL).

4. COMMENT: WE ARE NOT SANGUINE THAT TANGOV WILL SHIFT ITS VOTE ON KOREAN ISSUE. CONSISTENT WITH ITS LONG-TIME ESPOUSAL OF NORTH KOREAN POSITION, TANGOV IS PUBLICLY ON RECORD AS CO-SPONSOR OF UNFRIENDLY RESOLUTION. HOWEVER, TUNZE EXAMINED OUR PROPOSAL WITH APPARENT INTEREST AND VOLUNTEERED TO PASS OUR VIEWS TO HIS SUPERIORS. WE DO NOT RULE OUT THAT CONTINUED SERIOUS AND TIMELY DISCUSSIONS WITH FONOFF ON THIS ISSUE MIGHT SOMEDAY HAVE SOME EFFECT. ONE OBVIOUS ASSIST WOULD BE A MORE BALANCED VIEW OF THE ROK REPORTED BACK TO DAR FROM TANZANIAN EMBASSY TOKYO.

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